

## FEDERAL LABOR RELATIONS AUTHORITY CAREER OPPORTUNITY ANNOUNCEMENT

Announcement No: FLRA 03-05 Rev  Readvertised to attract more applicants. Candidates who applied to FLRA 03-05 which closed Feb. 19 will be automatically considered.		Opening Date: March 19 Closing Date: March 26, 2003	Job Title, Pay Plan, Series and Grade:  Director of Budget and Finance Division GS-501-15	
Number of Vacancies: One	Promotion Potential: GS-15	Salary Range: GS- \$94,914 - \$123,388 Salary range reflects the current 2003 locality rate for the Washington, D.C. area.		

**Duty Station/Agency Component:** Office of the Executive Director, Budget and Finance Division The FLRA headquarters office is conveniently located within walking distance of the Metro subway in Washington, DC. Metrobus and a number of commuter buses are similarly close by. Numerous eateries, shops, theaters, and historical sites are within walking distance. Excellent employee benefit programs, including alternative work schedules and transit subsidy. **Note**: The agency Headquarters office is moving in March, 2003 to 14<sup>th</sup> and K Street.

Work Schedule/Type of Appointment:

Competitive Service

Permanent

Full Time

Position is excluded from the bargaining unit

**Major Duties**: Do you have the right education and experience background to perform successfully in this position? If selected, your responsibilities will include:

- directing and monitoring all budget management and financial management activities for the Agency;
- providing policy guidance and oversight of financial management resources and maintaining a single, integrated accounting and financial management system.;
- -directing and managing the preparation and submission of all budget documents and supporting material and presentations to the Office of Management and Budget and Congress;
- maintaining the accounting function of the Agency, including the day-to-day operations of classifying and recording of financial transactions and analyzing and interpreting the effects of the transactions;
- -providing expert advice on and authoritative interpretation of financial management program requirements, adaptability, alternative solutions to problems, and impact of managerial decisions on financial resources; -developing, reviewing, adjusting, and improving a managerial financial reporting system which includes accounting, budgeting, and other financial reporting systems; and
- -establishing and maintaining systems of internal control.

#### **Conditions of Employment:**

Must meet any time-in-grade requirement by the closing date of the vacancy announcement Financial Disclosure Security Investigation

#### Who May Apply:

Nationwide - Status candidates who meet the job qualifications

#### Are you:

- T a 30 percent compensable veteran;
- T eligible for a Veterans' Readjustment Appointment (VRA);
- T severely handicapped
- T recently discharged from Peace Corps?

If so, we may be able to consider you under a special hiring authority. Please be sure to clearly designate your eligibility for these types of appointments in your cover letter or application.

**To be considered eligible for this position, you must have the following job qualifications:** 1 year of experience that equipped you with the particular knowledge, skills, and abilities to perform successfully the duties of the position, and that is typically in or related to the work of this position. To get credit, your specialized experience must have been at the GS-14 or equivalent level in the normal line of progression for the occupation in the organization.

Ranking Factors: You must address listed desired knowledge, skills, and abilities on a <u>separate</u> sheet of paper and attach it to your application. Your responses will be used to determine if you are among the best qualified candidates. The applications of the highest ranked candidates will be sent to the selecting official for selection consideration. If the factors are not separately addressed, the Agency may exclude your application from consideration.

Desired Knowledge, Skills, and Abilities (these desirable factors will be used to determine if you are among the best qualified):

- 1. Broad knowledge of and skill in interpreting and utilizing the principles, methods, techniques, and systems of financial management.
- 2. Skill in planning and directing entire financial or budgeting systems that require detailed knowledge of the programming, planning, and budgeting of these programs.
- 3. Ability to manage and supervise a professional staff comprised of budget analysts, accountants, and associated support staff.
- 4. Ability to apply sound, independent judgment in the administration of a financial program and in the solution of a wide range of financial problems.
- 5. Ability to make both oral and written budget presentations to individuals at all levels within and outside the agency.

#### **Special Remarks:**

- Of If you are applying for competitive service positions and are a compensable veteran or person with a disability and need reasonable accommodation for any part of the application or hiring process, please notify the Agency. The decision on granting reasonable accommodation will be on a case-by-case basis. Proof of eligibility for special consideration is required.
- ° If you are a competitive service employee eligible for priority consideration under CTAP or ICTAP, clearly annotate your resume and submit proof that you meet the requirements of Title 5 CFR 330. If you are determined to be well qualified, that is, you possess knowledge, skills, and abilities which clearly exceed the minimum qualifications requirements for the position, you will be afforded priority consideration.
- Relocation expenses will not be paid.
- Newly appointed supervisors will be required to complete probationary period of up to one year.

Agency Mission: The Federal Labor Relations Authority (FLRA) is an independent agency responsible for administering the labor-management relations program for non-postal Federal employees world-wide. The Agency consists of three components: the Authority, the General Counsel and the Federal Service Impasses Panel. The Authority is a quasi-judicial body which resolves disputes over the negotiability of proposals made by Federal employee unions in collective bargaining with Federal agencies. It also resolves exceptions to grievance arbitration awards and decides whether conduct alleged in a complaint constitutes an unfair labor practice. In addition, it reviews determinations made by Agency Regional Directors in disputes over union elections and unit determinations. The Office of the General Counsel is responsible for independently investigating, and settling or prosecuting unfair labor practice charges; receiving and processing representation proceedings; and providing facilitation, intervention, training and education services to the parties to prevent and/or resolve disputes. The Federal Service Impasses Panel provides assistance to Federal agencies and unions representing Federal employees in resolving impasses arising from negotiations over conditions of employment. For additional FLRA information, you may visit our website at: http://www.flra.gov.

#### **Employee Programs and Benefits:**

As an employee-oriented Agency, FLRA offers options in flexible work schedules such as working a regular fixed schedule, a compressed work schedule, or flexible schedules that allow varied arrival and departure times or number of hours per day worked. There are opportunities to attend skills-enhancing and skills-maintenance training. Employees may earn a variety of monetary and non-monetary awards. Frequent travelers may participate in a travel gain-share pilot. An employee assistance program provides confidential, professional counseling and referral service to help troubled employees, a health service which provides periodic health screening opportunities at nominal cost, and a leave donation program that can assist employees during personal medical emergencies. For special circumstances, there are opportunities to work at home on a limited basis. All employees are paid by electronic funds deposit.

FLRA recognizes the Union of Authority Employees (UAE) as the exclusive bargaining representative of eligible employees.

The FLRA subsidizes health benefits and life insurance costs. Its portable Federal Employees Retirement System permits eligible employees to supplement their retirement by contributing to the Thrift Savings Plan (similar to 401K savings plans). Employees on appointments of more than 90 days with set work schedules earn annual and sick leave based on their years of service, beginning at 104 hours each of annual and sick leave per year for a full time employee.

**How To Apply for This Position:** Submit your resume with the information described on the attached "Application/Resume Checklist," so that the information **is received** at the following address by 5:00 p.m. Eastern Standard Time by the closing date of the announcement: Federal Labor Relations Authority, Human Resources Division, 607 14th Street, NW, Suite 430, Washington, DC 20005.

To request a copy of this announcement, call the Job Line at (202) 482-6537. To download a copy, visit our website at http://www.flra.gov/29-jobs.html. There is a statutory prohibition against using Government-franked envelopes to mail applications.

Qualified applicants will receive consideration without regard to such non-merit factors as race, color, religion, gender, handicap, age, sexual orientation, national origin, political affiliation, marital status, non-disqualifying disabilities, membership or non-membership in an employee organization, personal favoritism, protected genetic information, or status as a parent.

Once selection is made an announcement will be placed on FLRA's web page. Please note that the selection process may take up to 120 days.

#### **DEFINITIONS:**

**Competitive Service.** Competitive service positions are civilian positions in the executive branch of the Government which require some form of examination - either a written test, or a ranking of qualifications against prescribed knowledge and skill criteria.

**Salary Range.** There are ten salary increments (called "steps") within each grade level. Candidates with no prior Federal service generally are appointed at step 1, which is the minimum pay rate of the grade for which selected. Some candidates possess superior academic or experience qualifications and may be hired above the entry level salary. The Human Resources Division, in concert with the selecting official, will determine salary level prior to extending a final offer of selection to a candidate. The salary is not negotiable after appointment.

**Preference Eligible.** A candidate with veteran's preference. In certain instances, additional points are added to the candidate's ranking and this preference is considered in the selection process.

**Promotion Potential.** The target grade the selected applicant can expect to achieve without further competition. Promotion beyond the target grade would require further competition or review.

**Desirable Ranking Factor.** Knowledge, skills or abilities which would enhance an applicant's ability to succeed on the job. These factors are used to rank applicants' quality of education and experience.

**Reasonable Accommodation.** Includes, but is not limited to, making existing facilities used by employees readily accessible to and usable by persons with disabilities; job restructuring; modification of work schedules; providing additional unpaid leave; reassignment to a vacant position; acquiring or modifying equipment or devices; adjusting or modifying examinations, training materials, or policies; and providing qualified readers or interpreters. Reasonable accommodation may be necessary to apply for a job, to perform job functions, or to enjoy the benefits and privileges of employment that are enjoyed by people without disabilities.

**Severely Handicapped.** An individual with a physical or mental impairment that substantially limits one or more major life activities, has a record of such an impairment, or is regarded as having such an impairment. Major life activities are those that an average person can perform with little or no difficulty such as walking, breathing, seeing, hearing, speaking, learning, and working.

**Status Candidate.** Federal employees acquire status by completing a probationary period under a career-conditional or career appointment in the competitive service.

**Trial and Probationary Periods.** Applicants selected for excepted service permanent positions serve a two-year trial period if they are non-veterans' preference eligibles, and a one-year period if they are a veterans' preference eligible. Applicants selected for a career or career-conditional appointment serve a one-year probationary period. During these trial and probationary periods, the agency determines the fitness of the employee, and the employee has no appeal rights if the Agency decides to terminate the appointment.

**Veterans Readjustment Appointment.** A special authority by which agencies may appoint an eligible veteran without competition. The candidate must meet the basic qualification requirements for the position. Appointments are for a 2-year period; successful completion of the VRA appointment leads to a permanent civil service appointment. Candidates must have served on active duty for a period of more than 180 days which occurred after August 4, 1964, and received other than a dishonorable discharge. Active duty service of more than 180 days is not required if you were discharged or released from active duty because of a service-connected disability.

#### **Job Information**

C Vacancy number, position title and grades(s)

#### **Personal Information**

- C Full name, mailing address (with zip code), phone numbers (with area code)
- C Social Security Number
- C Country of citizenship
- C Veterans' preference
- C Reinstatement eligibility, if any
- C Title and series of highest Federal civilian job held, if any

#### **Education**

- C High school (name, city, state and zip code); date of diploma or GED
- C Colleges or universities (name, city, state, and zip code); Majors
- C Type and year of degrees received (if no degree, show semester/quarter hours).
- C Transcripts only if applying for entry level Attorney, Law Clerk, or Outstanding Scholar positions.

#### **Work Experience**

- C Title (include specific dates held, number of hours worked per week and, if Federal job, reflect series and grade)
- **C** Duties
- C Employer's name and address
- C Supervisor's name and phone number
- C Starting and ending dates (month, day, and year)
- C Number of hours worked per week <u>and</u> beginning and ending salary for each experience
- C Indicate if we may contact current supervisor

#### **Other Qualifications**

- C Training (title, hours, year)
- C Special skills (e.g., computer software/hardware, typing speed, etc.)
- C Current certificates and licenses (e.g., Bar membership; CPA)
- C Honors, awards, accomplishments (e.g., publications, performance award, memberships in professional organizations or societies, leadership activities, public speaking.

You must address the listed factors on a separate sheet of paper and attach it to your application.

#### **Background Questionnaire**

You are requested to complete the attached "Background Survey Questionnaire 79-2."

#### **Performance Appraisal**

Current or former Federal employees must submit a copy of most recent performance appraisal and a copy of a recent SF-50, "Notification of Personnel Action" reflecting grade, title, series, and annual pay.

#### **Veterans' Preference DD-214**

Preference does not apply to Outstanding Scholar or to internal Federal merit promotion actions. For other positions, if you are claiming veterans' preference, submit form DD-214, and, if applicable, proof of disability or mother/widow preference.

NOTE: Preference eligibles or veterans who have been separated from the armed forces under honorable conditions after 3 years of more of continuous active service may apply to the announcement. Also, the Defense Authorization Act of 1997 extended veterans' preference to persons who served on active duty during the Gulf War, and authorizes that the Armed Force Expeditionary Medal for service in Bosnia is qualifying for veterans' preference.

#### **Disability Status**

Applicants with disabilities who are eligible for non-competitive appointment under special appointing authorities must indicate their special status and provide appropriate current certification of that status.

#### **CTAP or ICTAP Eligibility**

Individuals applying to competitive service positions who have priority consideration rights under the Interagency Career Transition Assistance Program (ICTAP) or the Agency CTAP must clearly annotate the eligibility and submit proof.

Selective Factors; Job-Related Competencies; and Desirable Knowledge, Skills, and Abilities

# United States Federal Labor Relations Authority Background Survey Questionnaire 79-2

Form Approved MB No. 50-RO-616

#### GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

The information from this survey is used to help insure that agency personnel practices meet the requirements of Federal law. Your responses are voluntary. Please answer each of the questions to the best of your ability. Please print entries in pencil or pen. Use only capital letters. Read each item thoroughly before completing the appropriate code number in each box.

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Name (Last, First, MI)
Position for which you are applying
Date (Month, Day, Year)
1. Social Security Number
2. Year of Birth 19
3. Do you have any physical disability?

### PRIVACY ACT INFORMATION GENERAL

This information is provided pursuant to Public Law 93-579 (Privacy Act 1974) December 31, 1974 for individuals completing Federal records and forms that solicit personal information.

#### AUTHORITY

Sections 1302, 3301, 3304 and 7201 of Title 5 of the US Code.
PURPOSE AND ROUTINE USES

The information from this survey is used for research and for a Federal equal opportunity recruitment program to help insure that agency personnel practices meet the requirements of Federal law. Address questions concerning this form and its uses to the Director PRDC, Office of Personnel Management, Washington, D.C. 20415.

#### EFFECTS OF NONDISCLOSURE

Providing this information is voluntary. No individual personnel selections are made on this information.

INFORMATION REGARDING DISCLOSURE OF YOUR SOCIAL SECURITY NO. UNDER PUBLIC LAW 93-579, SECTION 7 (b) Solicitation of the Social Security Number (SSN) is authorized under provisions of Executive Order 9397 dated November 22, 1943. It is used to relate this form with other records that you file with Federal agencies and the Office of Personnel Management.

4. How did you learn about the particular position or exam for which you are applying? (You may select up to three choices.)

01 - Private Information Service 09 - Agency Personnel Dept. (Bulletin Board or Other Announcement) 10 - Agency or Other Federal Government Recruitment at School or College 02 - Newspaper 03 - Magazine 11 - Federal, State or Local Job Information Center 04 - Radio 12 - Religious Organization 05 - TV 13 - School or College Counselor or Other Official 06 - Poster 14 - Friend or Relative Working for Agency 07 - Private Employment Office 15 - Friend or Relative Not Working for Agency 08 - State Employment Office (Unemployment 16 - Other (Specify) Office)

5. Please categorize yourself in terms of race, sex, and ethnic categories below. First read definitions of subcategories. The racial and ethnic categories for Federal statistics and administrative reporting are defined as follows:

ETHNICITY: Hispanic - A person of Mexican, Puerto Rican, Cuban, Central or South America or other Spanish culture or origin regardless of race.

RACE: American Indian or Alaskan Native -- A person having origins in any of the original peoples of North America, and who maintains culture identification through tribal affiliation or community recognition. Asian or Pacific Islander -- A person having origins in any of the original peoples of the Far East, Southeast Asia, the Indian subcontinent, or the Pacific Islands. This area includes, for example, China, India, Japan, Korea, the Philippine Islands, and Samoa. Black or African American -- A person having origins in any of the original peoples of Africa. White -- A person having origins in any of the original peoples of Europe, North Africa, or the Middle East.

A. Race	B. Sex	C. Ethnicity
1. American Indian or Alaskan Native		
2. Asian or Pacific Islander	1. Male	1. Hispanic Origin
3. Black or African American	2. Female	2. Not of Hispanic Origin
4. White		
5. Other (Specify)		